



## **Office of Mayor Jerry Sanders**

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### **Mayor Sanders Visits White House on Behalf of Mount Soledad War Memorial**

#### *Statement from Mayor Sanders on His Visit to the White House*

Washington D.C. -- “This morning members of Congressman Duncan Hunter’s staff and I met with senior White House staff members regarding the Mount Soledad National War Memorial. President Bush clearly appreciates the importance of the memorial to San Diego. While no commitments were made, the White House officials present committed to studying the limited options that may be available to us at this late hour.

I have committed to do everything possible to preserve the integrity of the War Memorial. I urge the City Council to vote in favor of the judicial stay, as well as the filing of an appeal at their meeting tomorrow.

Also today, I have participated in meetings with officials from the State Department, the Department of Homeland Security and the General Services Administration regarding border infrastructure projects, as well as our homeland security priorities.”

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